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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

30 Dear Sir:

responds.

In response to the above identified Office Action, Applicant hereby respectfully

1. Office Action.

By way of the Office Action, claims 1-23 were subject to a restriction requirement. The Examiner identified two inventions as set forth in Claims 1-21 drawn to a container apparatus and as set forth in Claims 22-23 drawn to a method of using an animal treat ball.